

# RECOVER REBUILD RESTORE



In the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) is here to help through the long recovery ahead; filling service gaps as other early response and recovery funding is beginning to be exhausted. With a goal of keeping families strong, preventing the potential negative impacts of the disaster on children and families, and providing swift support and intervention, DCF is expanding or creating additional services for the individuals we serve.

## Domestic Violence Staff & Counseling Support Expansion

The New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF) has allocated funding to increase staffing to work with victims of domestic violence affected by the additional trauma of Superstorm Sandy. Each domestic violence program will provide supportive services including counseling, safety planning, referrals, case management, financial education, child care, transportation services, employment services and limited legal advocacy to participants with the additional trauma and recovery of the storm. The additional staff will provide extra capacity to work with families affected by the storm. The added staff will work closely with participant families adjusting to possible relocation to an unfamiliar county and assist transition back to their home county, if return is desired.

Research indicates that a time of stress follows natural disasters and a family's ability to cope is often stretched to its limit. The increased staff providing services will provide the increased time needed to help co-trauma victims remain safe. Victims and their families may be relocating to a new county that they are unfamiliar with and may need extra support to transition from their county to a new county and back again, if feasible. The staff will work with the statewide network of shelters to assist victims that may need to relocate due to the co-trauma.

In addition, staff funded through this program will engage in expanded outreach through non-traditional programs and points of contact to engage participants into services. Programs and points of contact include groups such as Long Term Recovery Committees (LTRC), American Red Cross, Salvation Army and etc.

For more information about domestic violence shelter services, please see page 2. For individuals needing immediate assistance and access to domestic violence services please call the New Jersey Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-572-SAFE (7233).



As we know from previous natural disasters, a family's ability to cope is often stretched to its limit as they try to recover. The Department of Children and Families is making every effort to ensure that Sandy-impacted families have access to adequate social services. For more information or to gain expedient access:

**1-855-INFO-DCF (1-855-463-6323)**  
(general information about DCF's programs and services)

**DCF's Children's System of Care at  
1-877-652-7624**  
(services for children and teens with emotional and behavioral health care challenges)

**New Jersey Domestic Violence Hotline  
1-800-572-SAFE (7233)**  
(individuals needing immediate assistance and access to domestic violence services)

**New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual  
Assault (NJCASA) Hotline  
1-800-601-7200**

[www.nj.gov/dcf](http://www.nj.gov/dcf)

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County	Provider	Phone	Email
Atlantic	Atlantic County Women's Center	(609) 646-6767 (800) 286-4184	acwc@bellatlantic.net
Bergen	Shelter Our Sisters	(201) 944-9600	sos@shelteroursisters.org
Burlington	Providence House of Catholic Charities	(609) 871-7551	
Camden	Camden County Women's Center	(856) 227-1234	
Cape May	CARA, Inc. (Coalition against Rape & Abuse, Inc.)	(609) 522-6489 (877) 294-2272	Carasafe1@verizon.net
Cumberland	SERV- Center for Family Services	(856) 696-2032	serv@centerffs.org
Essex	The Safe House	(973) 759-2154	
Gloucester	SERV- Center for Family Services	(856) 881-3335	serv@centerffs.org
Hudson	Women Rising, Inc.	(201) 333-0547	womenrising@aol.com
Hunterdon	SAFE in Hunterdon	(908) 788-4044 (888) 988-4033	agencyinfo@safeinhunterdon.org
Mercer	Womanspace, Inc.	(609) 394-9000	
Middlesex	Women Aware, Inc.	(732) 249-4504	
Monmouth	180 Turning Lives Around, Inc.	(732) 264-4111 (888) 843-9262	info@180nj.org
Morris	Jersey Battered Women Services	(973) 267-4763	info@jbws.org
Ocean	Providence House of Catholic Charities	(732) 244-8259 (800) 246-8910	
Passaic	Passaic County Women's Center	(973) 881-1450	
Salem	Salem County Women's Services	(856) 935-6655 (888) 632-9511	
Somerset	Resource Center of Somerset	(866) 685-1122	info@resourcecenterofsomerset.org
Sussex	Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Intervention Services	(973) 875-1211	info@dasi.org
Union	Project Protect	(908) 355-4357	info@ywcaeuc.org
Warren	Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center	(908) 453-4181 (866) 623-7233	
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline</b>	<b>(800) 572-7233</b>	